## **Committee on Resources**

Subcommittee on Fisheries Conservation, Wildlife and Oceans

**Witness Statement** 

## CONGRESSMAN SPENCER BACHUS STATEMENT ON H.R. 4286 SUBCOMMITTEE ON FISHERIES CONSERVATION, WILDLIFE AND OCEANS

Mr. Chairman

Thank you for allowing me the opportunity to address the Subcommittee today on the bill that I introduced, H.R. 4286. This legislation would create the Cahaba River National Wildlife Refuge in Bibb County, Alabama and is cosponsored by my good friend Bob Riley who also represents Bibb County. The area that is designated in the bill is approximately 3,500 acres and all landowners currently holding this property are willing to sell the land to create this National Wildlife Refuge.

As the old saying goes, "A picture is worth a thousand words." Well, I'd like to share with you several pictures in a short video that highlight the beauty of the Cahaba and will illustrate better than I can the importance of preserving the area in the proposed refuge for future generations.

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